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**POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT:**

**CIFA Fellow for Nigeria**

The Center for Interfaith Action on Global Poverty (CIFA, [www.cifa.org](http://www.cifa.org)) is seeking a young professional with experience in Africa to support the development of the Nigerian Inter-Faith Action Association (NIFAA) in Abuja, Nigeria. NIFAA, an independent, non-partisan development NGO led by Nigerian faith leaders, was created in mid-2009 as a platform for collaboration between the faith sector (across all faiths and denominations), the Nigerian Government and the international donor community. Its first focus is malaria. NIFAA will be training and mobilizing more than half a million faith leaders to assist with the national campaign.

The CIFA Fellow will be a 12-month position, *beginning as soon as possible*, with comprehensive employee benefits, and may be renewable for one further year. CIFA intends to place CIFA Fellows in each country where IFAAs are replicated.

The CIFA Fellow for Nigeria will be located in Abuja, and will work directly with NIFAA's executive director to build the NIFAA institution, support management and planning for NIFAA's national activities and serve as the point of contact with the CIFA team in Washington, DC on programmatic issues. Reporting to the Deputy Director for Africa Programs in Washington DC, responsibilities will include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Serving as "special assistant" to the NIFAA Executive Director on issues related to NIFAA institution building, program development and planning, working with international donors, and other tasks as assigned.
- Working to document and communicate the accomplishments and challenges faced by NIFAA to CIFA staff for the purpose of strengthening the institution, the IFAA model and to support fundraising.
- Supporting CIFA's work in Nigeria by acting as its in-country representative.
- Addressing any and all issues that arise in the day-to-day business of NIFAA, and working closely with CIFA staff to solve problems.

**Qualifications:**

- Bachelor's degree and experience in Africa essential; Master's degree preferred.
- Open and friendly demeanor essential, as is ease with cross-cultural interactions.
- Ability to work with top leaders in faith (Christians and Muslims), government and international donor communities.
- Strong communication skills are essential (spoken, written, etc.), as is a capacity for multi-tasking.
- Desire and capability to perform well in high-stress, high task-load environments.



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- Team player, with commitment to supporting optimal outcomes that will be credited to others.
- Familiarity with operations and cultures of faith, government and donor communities.
- Understanding of (and experience with) monitoring & evaluation and/or public health will be an advantage.
- Willingness to take on a full range of tasks, from administrative duties to policy and strategy.
- American citizenship required.

Please send resume and cover letter explaining interest and qualifications for this position to [jobs@cifa.org](mailto:jobs@cifa.org).